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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants provide information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

It is intended for this submission to further supplement the Information Disclosure Statements filed on March 24, 2004 and June 17, 2004.

Applicants provide a copy of an International Preliminary Report on Patentability dated March 13, 2006 that was issued in International Patent Application No.

PCT/EP2004/009954. This International Patent Application claims priority from the present Patent Application. Copies of the three publications identified in the Report previously have been supplied. It will be noted that the claims were found to satisfy the criteria for novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability.

The examination and allowance of the Application are respectfully requested.

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